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Chairman Julius Genachowski  
Federal Communications Commission  
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Washington, D.C.  
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*RE: In the Matter of applications of AT&T Inc. and Deutsche Telekom AG for consent to assign or Transfer Control of licenses and Authorizations (WT Docket No. 11-65).*

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

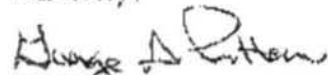
I appreciate the opportunity to share with you some of the reasons why Oxford, Mississippi supports the merger of AT&T with T-Mobile. This deal will be a game changer for America. It will immediately create a national broadband network unrivaled by anything the federal government is prepared to roll out. By combining the resources of these two large telecommunications companies—and their compatible GSM networks—we will have the foundation to leverage wireless communications beyond its present capabilities.

Wireless has been one of the biggest technological innovations in recent decades. The level at which people communicate and the amount of information that is readily available to anyone with an internet connection is astounding. But it will be even better once there is a dynamic 4G broadband network covering over 95% of the population in Mississippi. All of a sudden, people in towns like ours will have the same advantages as people in big cities. This kind of equality is critically important to the vitality of our nation. It will spur new ideas and new opportunities to carry us through the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

This is an issue Oxford has watched closely and we hope you will recognize the significant benefits this merger will provide to the residents of Mississippi.

Thank you again for the chance to share these opinions.

Sincerely,



George Patterson  
Mayor, Oxford, Mississippi

CC:  
Commissioner Michael Copps  
Commissioner Robert McDowell  
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn